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SUBJECT: LASER FUSION TECHNOLOGY

PASS TO CLYDE MCCLELLAND, BONN; AND JULIUS RUBIN, EC
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1. ON DECEMBER 15 N. SIEVERING, ASST. ADMIN. FOR INT'L AFFAIRS, ERDA, AND DR. L. KILLION, ERDA ACTING ASST. DIR. FOR LASER AND ISOTOPE SEPARATION TECHNOLOGY, MET WITH DR. HENRY GOMBERG, PRES. OF KMSF AND OTHER KMSF OFFICIALS. KMSF INTERESTED IN IODINE LASER TECHNOLOGY AT MAX PLANCK INSTITUT AND WANT OPPORTUNITY TEST GERMAN IODINE LASER IN KMSF LABORATORIES. SEEKING COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT WITH INSTITUTE. ERDA HAS NO OBJECTION TO GOMBERG DISCUSSIONS WITH GERMANS. KMSF INTENDS SUBMIT RESEARCH PROPOSAL TO ERDA FOR TESTING GERMAN LASER ASSUMING THEY CAN NEGOTIATE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS WITH MAX PLANCK INSTITUT. GOMBERG EXPECTS VISIT FRG LATE DECEMBER.

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2. REQUEST AMEMB BONN ADVISE SCHMIDT-KUESTER OF KMSF INTERESTS

BUT THAT THESE ARE BEING EXPLORED AT THIS TIME ON PRIVATE BASIS ALTHOUGH COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT WOULD PROBABLY BE SUBMITTED TO ERDA AS RESEARCH PROPOSAL. PLEASE ALSO ADVISE SCHMIDT-KUESTER THAT OFFICIAL ERDA CONTACTS WITH BMFT ON MUTUAL US/FRG INTERESTS IN LASER TECHNOLOGY ARE STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION (AS FOLLOW-UP TO HIS EARLIER DISCUSSIONS WITH DR. J. MCNALLY AND VANDERRYN OF ERDA). WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH SCHMIDT-KUESTER IN NEAR FUTURE ON THIS MATTER.

3. FYI: BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON ERDA/KMSF RELATIONSHIPS BEING POUCHED TO RUBIN AND MCCLELLAND. INGERSOLL

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